

State Youth Council
Meeting Minutes – October 22, 2004

I. Introductions

II. Minutes from August

Sue made a motion to approve the August minutes, seconded by Caren, motion passed.

III. Federal Bonding Presentation (Handouts provided)

- Practice began 1966 w/DOL
- Used for individuals with barriers to employment (at risk youth, ex offenders, less than credible work history, etc.), kids & adults with no work history. Basically an insurance policy to protect employers
- Done by issuing fidelity bonds through DOL, initiated via Workforce Centers
- Covers 1st 6 months of employment, at no cost to the employee or employer
- \$5000 increments, up to \$25,000
- Workforce Centers have been trained, and each site will have a designated bonding rep that works with Jenny @ CDLE. Training will be on the e-portal soon. Process: Workforce center fills out form, faxes to Jenny.
- McLaughlin Group is providing the bonds for DOL. McLaughlin does history/background check on the individuals. They also handle all correspondence & appeals from customers.
- Bonds automatically terminate after 6 months. Employers can agree to renew or extend bonds past 6 months, and will be purchased directly by the employer in most cases beyond 6.
- www.bondsforjobs.com is the website for the McLaughlin group if employers have any questions

IV. SWIS Committee Funding Letter

Letter requesting re-allocation of \$70,000 to fund year 2 of Tri County youth grant was sent to Booker and will be presented at SWIS meeting, which was delayed to 10/28.

V. Colorado Next Magazine Advertisement

- Magazine is targeted to juniors and seniors in HS, as well as out of school youth via WFC's. Includes university & community college ads & information, articles about college prep steps, how to obtain a job, etc.
- Amy met with Boulder County Business Report, and SYC marketing could be done via full back page advertisement.
- Sample ad done by CDLE/LMI.
- Cost would be 6400, for 5000 copies, distributed to all workforce regions. No distribution required by SYC – it would all be handled by the magazine.
- Multiple changes proposed, namely more and bigger logos for the SYC, CWDC, Governor, DOLA, etc. Amy will schedule follow up meeting.

Motion to approve ad, with changes, made by Dani, seconded by Caren, motion passed.

VI. State Youth Council Liaison to Local Youth Councils

Handout passed out.

Co-Chairs will draft letter to go to local WF directors.

SYC members will be assigned as follows:

Tricounty – Dani Crane/Jennifer Lambert

Adams – Danny Sisneros/Jennifer Lambert/Samantha O'Neill

Denver – Amy Arquilla/Ann Baker

Arapahoe/Douglas – Caren Swales/Valerie Jenkins/Debbie Holleman?

Boulder – Sue Schierkolk/

El Paso/Teller – Julie Berge/Diane Mitchell?/Caren Swales/Marc Dettenreider?

Weld – Mark Johnston/Danny Sisneros

Rural – Julie Berge/Nicole Barden/Les Watkins

Larimer – Mark Johnston/?

SW Region– Maxine Maestas requested assistance supporting her YC, Amy will f/u in November with more direction.

Need protocol for when other regions request our help.

Letter - Need meeting schedule, goals, objectives, needs, etc.

VII. Dani/Caren – Local Youth Council Meeting

- Meeting November 4th (Denver YC) pulling together all state-wide youth councils to open up communication channels, possibly have a conference in the spring.

VIII. Summer Job Hunt

Served 49,500 kids

Placed 12243 kids (+2000 from 2003)

IX. Youth Transition Grant

Sue and the grant would like to present more fully/formally at a later date. Currently analyzing data and developing the state plan based on guidance from ODEP. Will be working through SWIS to CWDC, then Governor Owens for approval of plan.

X. Youth on SYC – Set better goal of 2005.

Amy – there is a youth interested in applying (SJH kid)

Need to develop application, brochure, etc (Nicole Barden volunteered earlier)

Anyone interested in taking on membership committee & youth sub-portion to assist Sue Schierkolk?

XI. Finance

\$79287 avail.

Grant breakdown spreadsheet passed out for notebooks.

XII. Meeting schedule

November 8, 1pm – 3pm @ Tri County Workforce Center

XIII. Other Business

Mark Johnston – Youth Operators met recently, will continue to meet quarterly
Next meeting in Colorado Springs, last Friday in January, @ NASA learning lab 9 am
Email mark if you want to go down and check out the simulation.

Workforce Center Performance - Adams, AD Works, South Central, Tri County all did extremely well in meeting goals. One region missed goals.

E3 Event - Good turnout, 92 booths, 3000 visitors, panels, resume critique, etc.

Next meeting – can we get reports on conferences attended?

Meeting Adjourned 11:45